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Serial No. : 10/078,025
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF FEE DEFICIENCY


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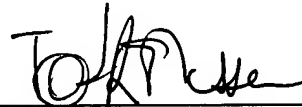

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- ☐ the original filing of the application and/or preliminary amendment (e.g. additional claim fees)
- ☒ the reply filed on 7/18/03. The reply is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following matter(s). See 37 CFR 1.111 and 37 CFR 1.135.

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- ☐ 4. The filing fee of \$ _____ submitted in this application is insufficient.
A balance of \$ _____ is due for presentation of excess claims (37 CFR 1.16(b) & (c)).
- ☐ 5. Other.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS		
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE	2 minus 20 =	—
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2 minus 3 =	—
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	4	20	—
Independent	4	3	1
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus	**
Independent	*	Minus	***
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus	**
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 ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
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BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	370.00

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	740.00
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	

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OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	420.00
+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	420.00

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X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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